

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Customer Number: 20277

Tetsufumi TSUZAKI, et al.

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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Mail Stop AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 **GROUP 3600** 

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated April 9, 2003, now due to expire July 9, 2003, be extended for one month(s) and set to expire on August 9, 2003.

Please charge the extension fee of \$110.00 to Deposit Account No. 500417. Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 500417.

Respectfully submitted,

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